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Tax Rate Set At 68 Mills

LAC LA BICHE.—Tax rate of 68 mills is expected to be struck for the village for this year.

This is the same as last year, although contribution to the School Divisional Board has been increased $1,320 to $13,320 on a total tax revenue of $23,000.

Re-assessment is practically complete and will show a slight upward trend through new building but will not fully compensate for school expense increase. As the rate is relatively high, John Watson, village secretary-treasurer, hopes that economies may be possible to maintain the same rate, which will be fixed at a special meeting of council some time this month.

Tax bills will probably be sent out in 60 days. Thirty days' notice is necessary for protests of assessment and 30 days more for appeals.

Forest Fires Cause $2,000,000 Damage

LAC LA BICHE.—Damage estimated at $2,000,000 has been caused by fires in Lac la Biche forestry patrol division so far this year. So far, 45 major fire outbreaks have occurred.

Damage is not compiled by the provincial lands and forests divisions until the end of the fire year, but fire ravage to the present is known to be in excess of last year's total of $1,500,000.

From early April until the heavy rain of June 29, fires were burning almost continuously in this heavily-wooded area. Rain of Sunday, July 2, put finishing touches to work of fire crews and previous rainfalls and at present only isolated fires are still burning.

Nine radio-equipped rangers patrol the 140 miles east-to-west and 300 miles south-to-north, from range 16 west of 4th meridian, east to the Saskatchewan boundary, and from the northern provincial boundary to township 62 in the south. Besides some of the best farm lands in the province, this area contains rich forest and game resources.

Fire is sadly eating into these assets, forest rangers state. Damage this year is particularly difficult to estimate as much young timber was destroyed and effects on wild life will not become apparent for another year or so.

Fish and Game Warden Mervyn Heron states that because of the early ,dry season, game was firmly nested in the fire areas. As major fires coincided with both early and late hatching, the damage to future game supply may be serious.

St. Catherine's Hospital Notes

Births: To Mr. and Mrs. Alex Magnan of St. Lina, a son, on June 28; To Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Coutnew of Lac la Biche, a son, on June 30.

Received medical treatment during week: Mrs. Phoebie Mitchell of Lac la Biche; Mrs. Mike Kolmatyiki of Frains; Mrs. Maurice Lebeuf of Egg Lake; Larry Palmer of Lac la Biche; Mrs. Oral Dube of Plamondon; Myrtle Bigelow of Plamondon; Arthur Scott of Lac la Biche, had on appendix operation and is doing fne.

Council Protests Taxes Given To School Board

LAC LA BICHE.—For the second year in succession the village council has protested to the Alberta Government the amount of taxes it is forced to pay the School Divisional Board.

More than half taxes levied will go to support the public school and more than half the pupils in the school come from outside the village, for which no special fee is permitted.

So strong was the village protest last year that several provincial cabinet ministers came to Lac la Biche in an attempt to pacify the council. But nothing came of it.

Now last year's contribution of $12,000 has been increased to $13,-320. Total taxes are expected to be in the neighborhood of $23,000.

"We pay the piper but we don't call the tune," acidly commented John Watson, village secretary-treasurer.

"The same sort of situation applies all over the province and the municipalities are getting fed up with it," he added.

Originally designed to cost $42,-000, Dr. Swift School has cost over $100,000. Mr. Watson said council had no idea how much of the $13,-320 went for current expenses and how much for reduction of principal for construction costs. "We know nothing about the financing except that we have to pay out the money."

No Separate School exists. If Rev. Father McGrane carries out his sometimes expressed intention of having one built, then Mr. Watson's cup of misery will be running over.

LAC LA BICHE NEWS

LAC LA BICHE.—Due to the rain showers June 30, the Dominion Day Sports was postponed to July 7.

Mr. and Mrs. A. Marinier of Donatville were visitors at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Joe Verville. They came on business and also to see Mr. and Mrs. Joe Verville's little son.

Mr. and Mrs. John Zaluzny returned from a vacation at Banff.

Mrs. W. Duma's daughter and grandchild are visiting with her for awhile.

Romeo Coutney has found a man's pocket watch. Will owner of such please claim it.

Mr. T. W. Pue and Mr. L. H. Jenkins were in Lac la Biche on business Monday. Mr. Jenkins is a new member on the Community Publication's staff.

Many houses in the town are being painted and sided.

Mr. and Mrs. George Curry and family are here visiting relatives and friends.

Jack Clark of the N.A.R. from Boyle spent the week-end here visiting friends.

Alfred Langevin and Bill Dorrish went to New Brook Sunday on business.

The Royal Cafe under construction by Joe Verville is almost completed. They expect to be open to the public by July 15.

Mr. H. Fisher is building a garage for Dr. Brinsmead.

DISCOVERED IN 1895

X-Rays were discovered by the German physicist, William Rontgen, in 1895.

Better Reason For Changing Train Time

LAC LA BICHE. — Edmontonians who find the time of train serivce to this village a bit on the awkward side will have difficulty in persuading merchants and residents of Lac la Biche it should be changed.

Three years ago when the mixed passenger and freight slow service was supplemented by a passenger-express-mail service, Northern Alberta Railway asked the Board of Trade the most suitable time.

Edmonton - Lac la Biche 10:50 a.m. departure and 4:50 p.m. arrival was fixed to provide for delivery of mail and express before business closing hours. As the train comes here one day and goes to Edmonton the next, this permits answering of important mail to go forward the next morning.

The 6:30 a.m. Edmonton-bound train, equally awkward for sleep-loving city folk, also has a reason behind it. This permits connection with the noon train for Calgary and other southern points.

While the railway believes it loses much passenger traffic to the bus service, which leaves Edmonton at 5 p.m. daily, it professes to be performing community service in maintaining schedules the way Lac la Biche appears to prefer. Residents themselves believe the two services nicely balance transport facilities for the village.

Edmonton passengers will have to provide more volume of traffic, and a better reason than inconvenience to themselves, before either residents or railroad would approve alteration of train times.

WANDERING RIVER NEWS

WANDERING RIVER. — For the first time in months the people of Wandering River area enjoyed the widely scattered showers that lasted for three days and which bring a little more hope for the coming year's crop as until now not only were the crops poor, but the pastures were bare also.

The Barnsdale Oil Co. is moving on to their oil site to start drilling next week. The ground on their oil site is well levelled off.

The Stanolin Oil Co. is testing for oil around Amesbury and the Wandering River area, so let's keep our fingers crossed.

Mr. Pete Haluschak and Mr. Tommy Horn are real busy opening roads for two oil companies at once. Keeps the boys going, and then some!

Mr. Evil Erickson's outfit is northwest of Lyle Lake, brushing and piling again. Keeps Rosie and Ernie a-hopping, too!

Mr. Keith Smith and family and Mr. and Mrs. John Karpetz were out to Smoky Lake on a visit. Mr. John Karpetz will have to spare a few hours to repair his fences as just today we watched a big moose pulling his barb wire all over.

Donnellys from Freedom visited at Amesbury and Wandering River and joined in on a dance that was held in the Wandering River hall. Donald Donnelly stayed at Amesbury for a period of probably a couple of weeks. So good luck, Donald, only stay away from broken needles.

Wandering River ball players visited Plamondon last Sunday and won 9-3. Good going, boys!—keep up the good work!

Re Royalties Regulations

LAC LA BICHE. — Kindly take notice that the regulations as to royalties on fish have been amended and that from and after June 30 royalies will be payable only on fish exported from the province. From now until the end of June, royalties are collectible as formerly.

Twin Girls Born at Lac la Biche

LAC LA BICHE.—Mr. and Mrs. Heron of Lac la Biche are happy to announce the birth of twin girls on June 23 at the Royal Alexandra hospital, Edmonton. Barbara Lynn and Betty Lou, 6 lbs. 7 oz., and 7 lbs. 1 oz.

Banquet to be Held at Spruce Valley

SPRUCE VALLEY. — On Saturday, July 16, a banquet will be held in honor of the Edmonton String Orchestra at Spruce Valley hall. A stage shows and dance will follow.

Oil Derrick Set Up

HYLO. — During the week-end of June 18 to 20 inclusive, Hylo hamlet and country residents witnessed some tremendously heavy machine-moving. It took the crew of Mr. Hawke's Drilling Co. approximately a week to line parts up and on Sunday, June 26, again Hylo residents as well as those interested from Noral, Venice and Lac la Biche witnessed some interesting operations in Awe.

The derrick was raised into position and it took only three minutes, just as 'Sparkey', head driller for the Hawke Co. had predicted. It is certainly wonderful how those fellows get things timed so perfectly.

As things are not just so and precautions are definitely being taken, the boys tell us that they don't expect to 'spud in' until either Tuesday or Wednesday of this week. The first part of the drilling will be to insert and securely cement in a 16 2-3" pipe through 600 feet of the soft surface soil. From there on we can wait and expect almost anything.

You can rest assured that there will not be a repetition of Stanelin of Lac la Biche. The Hawke Drilling Co. has the most up-to-date equipment on the market all the way through. To check any possibility of a natural gas blowout they have on hand a powerful Hydril Blowout Preventor which creates 3,000 pounds air pressure and can securely shut off excessive gas pressures.

Scotty, an agent for National Supply Co., who have equipped the Hawke Drilling Co., just as a passing thought, remarked that it's impossible to say what will show up but definitely there is a chance of striking oil, and that the Hawke Drilling Co. is here to stay for a while.

The boys of the crew find that the scenery in Hylo is beautiful. However, they also find the place rather small and uneventful to them. We are sure that as they become more acquainted they will enjoy their stay here. Give it time and the place will grow on you.

Where, Oh Where Have the Little Trout Gone?

LAC LA BICHE.—Mervyn Heron, fish and game warden, is wondering what ever became of 49,-000 trout.

Three years ago this number of fingerlings were put into Square Lake, 22 miles from here, where conditions were thought ideal for their survival.

Trout require cold and rather deep water to prosper and Lac la Biche is not suitable. While Cold Lake has been restocked as a tourist proposition, it is 140 miles away. Square Lake restocking was intended to provide sport for residents of this village and surrounding settlements—and perhaps incidentally as a tourist attraction.

For two years in succession Merv. has gone to Square Lake to see if his fingerlings had blossomed into trout and returned singing: "Where, of where, have my little fish gone?"

"I could find nary a trace," he says.

"It is difficult to say if they caught (survived). Re-stocking is a tricky business."

Anyway, he is already contemplating another experiment, this time with eggs.

To Build Sidewalks At Lac la Biche

LAC LA BICHE.—Construction immediately of sidewalks on two principal streets was decided at July meeting of village council.

Work will be done from the post office north to Lebuff's store and from the Hudson's Bay to Lett's second-hand store.

Council previously approved $3,-500 for construction of sidewalks this year. Councillors Mike Hamar and Mike Maccagno postponed decision on what other work should be done until return of Mayor William Cadzow.

Spruce Valley Man Accidentally Killed

SPRUCE VALLEY. — Mr. Bill Kudrynetski, 27 year old Spruce Valley farmer, was accidentally killed when he and his worker, Mr. Stanley Kanareck, were plowing on the farm of Mr. Krolikowski at Willow Flat on Monday, June 27.

Bill said that he was going to the car to take a rest but must have changed his mind and lay down in the grass instead.

Stanley made one round and didn't notice Bill but while coming around the second time he observed a leg sticking out from the high grass. He then stopped the tractor and ran to Bill. He saw his head in blood and witnessed him die instantly. He must have hit him with the left front wheel while making the first round.

Stanley then let the neighbors know what happened. Athabasca police and Dr. Wright were called to the scene.

Mr. Kudrynetski was taken to Athabasca on Mike Lewicki's truck.

Surviving is his wife Anne, mother and father, three sisters, Pauline, Olga and Alice, also one brother Joe.

On June 30 will be his third wedding anniversary and also his funeral. Deepest sympathy is extended to his wife and relatives in the loss of our neighbor.

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Wealthy Canada Is One Of Top Trade Nations

Canada is sitting on top of the world as far as the wealth of her people is concerned.

Much of this prosperity is a result of her positon as the world's third greatest trading nation.

But few citizens, particularly those out here in the west, understand or are particularly interested in the trade situation.

The talk by government officials, the big men of industry, and Chamber of Commerce executives, doesn't mean much in terms of "dollar shortages" and "sterling blocs."

High finance is tough stuff to understand, and it isn't made any easier when industrialists and financiers themselves aren't sure how to avoid economic crises and depressions, let alone Mr. and Mrs. Joe Doakes in Central Alberta.

But one thing during the past couple of months has seemed pretty definite — and that is, that Canada is in a very favorable position as far as economic security is concerned.

HIGH PEAK

Early in March, Trade Minister Howe told the House of Commons that Canada's trade is at the highest peak in history. He said that in 1948, Canada's trade reached more than five and one-half billion dollars — or $460 for every man, woman and child in the country.

Our trade is greater than the TOTAL trade of the United States 10 years ago, and on a per capita basis is twice as great as either the United States or the United Kingdom.

Thus, although Canada has just 13,000,000 people in a world of two billion people — or, has less than one per cent of the world's population — Canada is the third greatest trading nation.

BRIGHT FUTURE

And the future looks as bright as the past has been.

For instance, this week at the International Federation of Agriculture in Vancouver, members reported that there is a world demand for Canadian farm equipment.

An Indian spokesman stated his country would like to buy 7,000 tractors from Canada, and R. G. Buckleton of New Zealand said, "We want to spend $10,000,000 for farm machinery."

These statements are just illustrations of the ever-growing interest in Canada by the whole world.

A SQUEEZE

Most of our trade is carried out with the United States and Great Britain — and in this respect Canada is in something of a squeeze.

Canada needs U. S. dollars to maintain a favorable position in the trade world, and yet must trade with Britain, which is short of dollars and prefers to deal with Canada in pounds sterling.

Canada-U.S. trade relations are improving steadily. We are exporting more and more to the United States, and this fact, coupled with the import-ban on U.S. goods, and greatly-encouraged tourist traffic, is improving our dollar situation. In addition, the U.S. has approved the Reciprocal Trade Agreements Act, which is expected to open the way for reduction of U.S. barriers against Canadian industrial products and will expand our export trade with the United States still further.

DOLLAR SHORTAGE

But the fact that Canada has been short of U.S. dollars has forced us to ask payment for our goods exported to other countries, in American dollars to reduce our deficit.

Since other countries are having just as much trouble obtaining U.S. dollars, they haven't been too fussy about conducting trade on this basis, and some observers say that as soon as Canada's position is improved still further, or if other nations can get more U. S. dollars, Canada's overseas trade will increase still further.

In the meantime, Britain's unfavorable dollar situation is having repercussions.

Britain's gold supply is dwindling, and she still isn't getting enough dollars.

STERLING BLOC

Thus there has been built up a "sterling bloc" of nations which are all short of dollars and are trading in pounds sterling. This has resulted, so U.S. observers claim, in the U.S. getting cut out of some markets so these countries won't have to import American goods and make their dollar situation still worse.

For instance, Britain has signed a five-year meat pact with Argentina. The United States has opposed the Anglo-Argentine pact because it fears that American products will be frozen out of the Argentine market.

Said the Financial Times in London: "American critics argue that the United Kingdom pattern of bilateral payments agreements, if pursued to its logical end, could result in the partial isolation of the dollar from the non-dollar world."

Marshall Plan Ambassador Thomas K. Finletter referred to this in a speech in London last week.

WATER-TIGHT

He told Britain that she must not shut herself off into a water-tight compartment in which her own tightly-controlled economy may prosper at the expense of the freer economies of the rest of Western Europe.

Britain, apart from her trade with the sterling bloc, has cut trade with other European (dollar) nations to essentials only, as part of its austerity program. But since these nations trade in non-essentials, they are suffering as a result of the British austerity program.

Last week in Quebec, at the International Chamber of Commerce meeting, T. H. McKittrick of New York's Chase National Bank, suggested a plan which might improve the situation.

GENERAL KITTY

Under the European Recovery Program at present, a certain amount in dollars is allotted to each country by the U.S. congress. McKittrick suggested that rather than allotting so much to each country, the money might be put in a general "kitty."

Then suppose France wanted to buy $200,000,000 worth of goods in Britain. Instead of paying for them in pounds sterling, as would be the case now, France would be told she could pay that amount in dollars through ERP.

Thus Britain would increase her dollar reserves, and France would still get her goods.

The way ERP works now, a country is given dollars, but must spend them in a certain way, as laid down in the European Recovery Program. In many cases, these dollars must be spent in the U.S., instead of circulating among other nations so that they can improve relations with each other and get away from such things as the sterling bloc.

SMALL THINGS

The smile on my mother's face,
Time can never erase the memory.
It fills my very soul with light,
And I'm lost in reverie,
Of small things.

Again I see the early morn,
The sun rising to greet another day,
And grass wet with dew
Shines like a million gems,
Ere they melt away.

I hear a cow's soft bellow,
As she calls to her new born babe,
And birds in the trees, fill the air,
With music mellow,
As they flit from shade to shade
Robbin, sparrow and swallow.

Small things—but the ones
We remember most,
When far away.
Big things depart,
But small things like ghosts,
Remain to haunt our day,
Forever in our thoughts.

Things we thought were big,
Somehow have lost their space,
Small things will stay foorever,
Like the smile on a mother's face.

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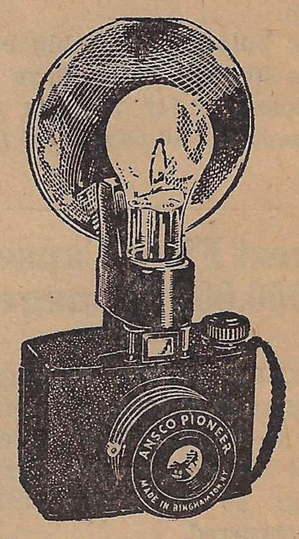
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GOLDFISH RAISING on a big scale is a popular hobby with many Edmontonians who have room for pools in their back yards. Fish-raising on a large scale is more profitable and more fun than having one or two in a bowl in the living room. For more about goldfish and how one Edmonton boy raises them, see below.

GOLDFISH HOBBY PROVES POPULAR WITH CITY FOLK

Most people at one time have kept one or two goldfish in their homes. Usually people who get the urge to keep goldfish find the novelty wears off; they forget to change the water or the cat knocks the bowl over and there are no more fish.

Different from most fly-by-night fish enthusiasts is 18-year-old Donald Hiron, 11204 62 street, who has been collecting fish for eight years. He now has about 300 of them in a pool in his backyard.

Most of Don's fish are tiny, half-inch long young ones spawned this spring. Schools of 100 or 200 of the young ones can only be seen in the daytime when sunlight casts their shadows on the bottom of the pool.

Two of the older fish in Don's pool are pictured above. At top is a veteran female fish mis-named Moby Dick. Don has had Moby for six years and she is now 15. Although she has slowed down some and can't swim so fast, Moby is still able to spawn, and is still the biggest fish in the pool.

The dappled fish with the feathered fins (at bottom) is two years old, was hit on the snout with a hockey stick this spring but recovered.

Black round blob (at left) is one of 24 snails kept in the pool. Snails are an essential part of any fish pond because they act as scavengers.

When the young fish have grown to one or two inches, (by autumn), Don will sell some to downtown goldfish dealers; others will be given away in lots to other people who want to start fish ponds.

The remainder will spend the winter in the house in an aquarium.

Don't keep your opinion to yourself — write it to the editor.

Carelessness Causes Costly Forest Fires

Since October, 1930, forest fires in Alberta have destroyed 3,241,-266,000 board feet of lumber — enough to build nearly 10,000 houses.

This information has been compiled by the Alberta Forestry Branch of the Department of Lands and Forests. Its purpose in doing so is to draw to the attention of Alberta citizens the necessity of taking every precaution in protecting their forests. These forests are part of the natural resources of the people and impersonal as a forest fire is to people many miles away, it still is taking money from their pockets in the destruction it causes.

Chief causes of forest fires were campers, who are blamed for 29.51 per cent of them. Other causes are settlers 15.01 per cent, unknown 15.01 per cent, railways 10.68 per cent and lightning 3.71 per cent. The remaining 26.08 per cent were attributed to careless smokers, incendrists, industrial operations, works operations and unclassified causes.

There's not much that can be done to stop the lightning, but vigilance and common sense can do much to remove the other causes of forest fires. Since 1930 fires have destroyed approximately 10 years' production from the province's lumbering industry. Cost of suppressing the fires between October 1, 1930, and December 31, 1947, amounted to $1,264,846.

So far this spring has been dry. A carelessly dropped match or cigarette butt, a lazy camper, improper fire safeguards at a lumber mill, and many other acts of carelessness can start a raging inferno. If each citizen will take it upon himself to be a fire warden, millions of dollars worth of valuable timber can be saved, and likely, lives of settlers also.

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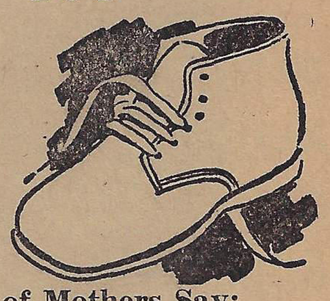
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LAC LA BICHE NEWS

LAC LA BICHE. — Mrs. Mary Filwych gave birth to a baby boy last week. She is the former Mary Boyko who was married to Mike Filwych last year.

A farewell party was held for Mr. Richter and his family last week, who are moving away from Spedden. Mr. Richter is the Spedden Hotel proprietor.

School is over and most of the students are now going to work. Hope they earn enough money to continue with their studies.

In a recent sports day at Vilna the Spedden baseball team won the third prize. They won the first game from Pineknoll by a 6-5 score. Smoky Lake took first prize, Vilna the second as they played a tie ball game with Spedden.

Metro Exani was visiting Bill Gushta and his wife at Spedden. Metro is a great help to the public with his big truck and his services.

Mr. and Mrs. George Elliot and Mrs. Mary Dibble of Vancouver, B.C., were recent visitors in Lac la Biche visiting friends and relatives.

Mary Watson was home for the week-end.

Mr. and Mrs. A. Blaeser and children left Monday morning for Vernon, B.C., to take up residence.

There is a service at the Anglican Church each Sunday morning at 11:00 o'clock. We would like to see more people attend these services.

Mrs. Geo. Currie (nee Myra Cramer) is here with her two children visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. N. Cramer.

The department of Lands and Forestry have purchased a Dodge Power Wagon with 4-wheel drive and winch attachment. This will be used by the Fisheries and Forestry branches of Lac la Biche.

Word has been received that Mr. and Mrs. Howard Lett of Camrose are the proud parents of a daughter.

Crops Heading Out At Spedden

LAC LA BICHE. — Recent rains have quelled the fears of drought in the Spedden area. No rain has fallen there for the past three months. In some places the wheat is headed out two inches above the ground and the farmers are letting in the cattle to graze in the fields as the pastures are poor.

Baseball Scores for Sunday, June 26

PLAMONDON — Plamondon vs Wandering River scores 9-3 in favor of Wandering River. Come on boys, you can do better than that!

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Wedding at Spedden

LAC LA BICHE. — Miss Olga Liwicky will soon be married to Nick Yacyshyn. They are both from Spedden. Olga has just finished her studies at an Edmonton college.

CASLAN NEWS

CASLAN. — Peter Patrick has been writing his departmental exams. at the South Noral school.

Mrs. John Rosa had her sister visiting at her home for a short while.

Mrs. S. Cislo took Albert Meyer to Lac la Biche Thursday evening to have a badly cut and bruised finger attended to.

Mr. A. Gordey has a gas pump erected in front of his store.

Mr. A. Gordon and Wm. Fedun were callers in Lac la Biche on Friday.

Caslan held its annual picnic on June 26, which quite a large crowd attended. Softball games were played by Frains, Hylo and South Noral. A dance was held in the evening.

Miss Olga Prymych visited at the home of her sister, Mrs. A. Halitzky.

The Caslan school is closing for this term at the end of this month with a weiner roast for the children.

Miss Iva Meyer of Edmonton is arriving July 1 to spend a week's holiday at her parents' home.

Weather

LAC LA BICHE.—The following are the maximum and minimum temperatures for the week ending uly 4, 1949 at 05:30 p.m.

	Max.	Min.
June 28	71	38
" 29	69	59
" 30	64	46
July 1	78	49
" 2	65	44
" 3	64	40
" 4	77	44

Total precipitation for week, 1.74 inches.

VENICE NEWS

VENICE. — Mr. and Mrs. Warner Wood of Mitsue are visiting at the home of Mr. A. H. Wood.

Mr. Leslie Worley and Miss Alice Tisi of Lac la Biche spent the week-end at the home of Mr. Dan Rowland.

Mr. Frank Ferro and his son Bruno are back home after working a month at Newbrook.

Mrs. Wm. Lefebvre has returned home from the Lac la Biche hospital with her new-born daughter.

Mrs. Tony Zevola also has returned home from hospital.

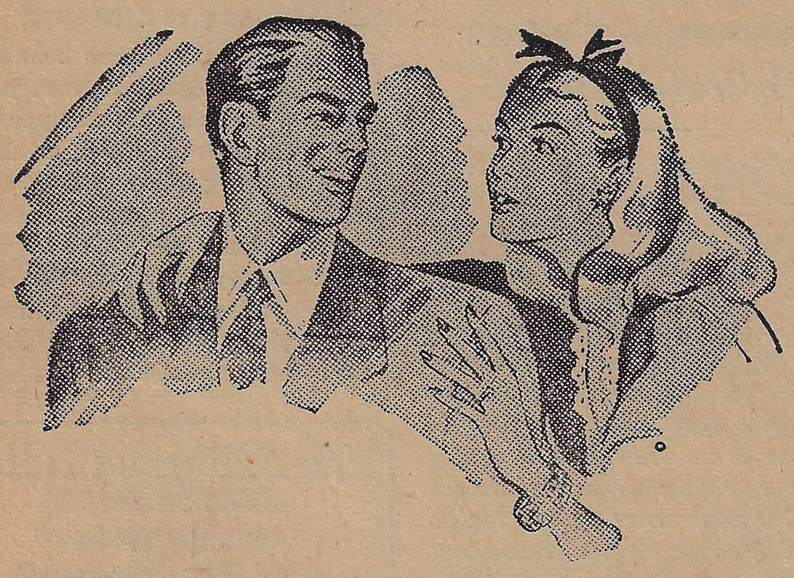
Rev. Father Ouellet, O.M.I., has gone for a trip to Quebec.

PUBLIC NOTICE

Impounded at Plamondon, N.E. ¼ Sec. 34, T. 68, R. 16, M. 4: 1 black mare, Wt. 1150; 1 reddish grey gelding, about 1½ years, Wt. 750. No brands.

Above have been impounded on June 27.

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Scout Service Award Given Camrose Man

CAMROSE. — Rees C. Hugh, who is the manager of the Royal Bank of Canada at Camrose, has been awarded the Boy Scout "Silver Acorn" for distinguished service in scouting.

Mr. Hugh became active as a leader in the Boy Scout movement in 1930, when he formed the 1st Standard Troop and consequently other groups were formed in the surrounding communities at Standard. In 1932 he was appointed District Scout Commissioner and continued to act as Scoutmaster for his troop at Standard.

In 1943 he was transferred to Calgary and at that time he was appointed assistant provincial commissioner, which office he holds at present. In 1945 he moved to Camrose and he was instrumental in reviving the Scout Troop at Camrose.

To Investigate Deaths Colinton Victims of Highway Crash

EDMONTON — Dr. M. M. Cantor, chief provincial coroner investigating three traffic accidents that claimed the lives of four persons in and near Edmonton between June 15th and 26th, recently announced inquest arrangements.

The court preliminary hearing Thursday on a manslaughter charge against M. H. Casault, 10934 125th street, will serve as the coroner's investigation into the death June 15th of Miss Rachel Deans, 82, of 12206 111th avenue. Miss Deans died after being struck by a car said to be driven by Casault on 124th street near her home.

Deaths of two Colinton persons, Mrs. Sadie Galbreath and Vincent Delancey, in a collision near Morinville, June 17th, will be investigated by a jury July 11th, Dr. Cantor said. Six other persons were injured in the accident and Mrs. Galbreath's husband, who suffered a fractured skull and two broken legs, is reported showing improvement in hospital.

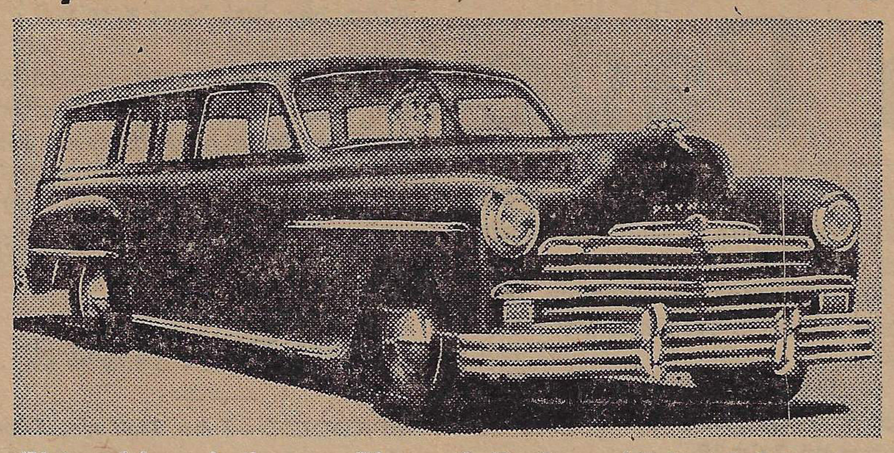
Inquest will open Wednesday in the death of Walter Hough of Ponoka, who died when the car in which he was riding was struck by a train at a South Edmonton crossing. After formal identification of the body, Dr. Cantor said the hearing will be adjourned indefinitely. Adjournment is necessary because the other occupant of the car, William Bloor, is in hospital with serious injuries.

Assistant Named To Camrose D.A.

CAMROSE.—W. A. Moisey who has been the District Agriculturist at Camrose for the past three years has been joined by Allan Beatty who will be the Assistant District Agriculturist here.

Mr. Beatty is a recent graduate at the University of Alberta with the degree of Bachelor of Science of Agriculture. Mr. Beatty originally lived at Swalwell, where his parents farm. He enlisted in the RCAF in 1941 as a Radar Technician and was discharged at Calgary in 1945.

Plymouth Announces New Suburban Model



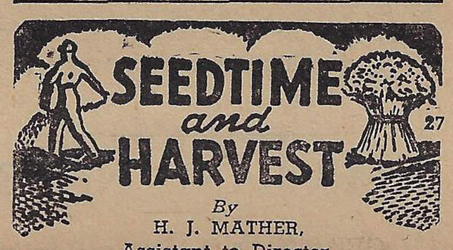
Pictured here is the new Plymouth De Luxe All-Metal Suburban. It features a spacious interior that can be adjusted to suit various types of loads. With both seats in position it provides comfortable seating for 6 passengers and a cargo space of 40 cubic feet. If more space is required for delivery use, the driver can fold away the rear seat and the Suburban then provides room for three passengers and has a cargo space of over 84 cubic feet.

Toronto Launches Parks Program

Toronto is one Canadian city taking steps to keep areas of greenery open as parks in the face of continued building expansion.

A $41,000,000 25-year program for development of parks and recreational facilities in Toronto has gone to the city's planning department to be incorporated into an overall city development project.

Included in the parks program are: (1) $31,000.000 to be spent on 620 acres of additional park lands; (2) $4,400,000 for construction of 11 community centres; (3) $1,100,000 to build five outdoor swimming pools; and (4) $1,500,000 for five auditoriums.



By
H. J. MATHER,
Assistant to Director,
Line Elevators Farm Service,
Winnipeg, Manitoba.

Trash Cover Important

The trash cover or stubble mulch was developed in the Monarch-Nobleford area of southern Alberta as a protection against soil drifting. Thousands of acres of soil were "tied down" by this method in the "windy thirties". During this dry period the farmers of southern Alberta became expert at producing and maintaining a trash cover. With the advent of better moisture conditions wind erosion, at least temporarily, ceased to be the number one problem on most prairie farms. Unfortunately, however, a more insidious form of erosion, water erosion, took its place. The solution of the water erosion problem is essentially the same as that of wind erosion. Because of this fact, we find that the trash cover, once found only in the dry areas, has become a common farm practice in the moister areas of the Prairie Provinces.

Acts in Many Ways. The trash cover acts in several ways to prevent erosion. It protects the soil from pounding rain. It slows down run-off, allowing water to soak into the ground. The trash anchored in the surface provides channels through which water percolates into the soil. The result is less run-off, more moisture in the soil, and less erosion.

Types of Machines. The one-way disc, duckfoot cultivator, rod weeder and the various blade machines, are all efficient trash cover implements. The blades work best under the drier prairie conditions, the one-way and duckfoot under moister conditions.

Depth and Speed of Cultivation. To secure a good trash cover, cultivation must be shallow, just below the root crowns is best. Speed of travel must be slow, 3 to 3½ miles per hour gives best results.

The preservation of our prairie soils is Western Canada's number one conservation problem. The effective use of the stubble mulch or trash cover by western farmers is putting soil conservation into action. Remember, "If you are good to the land, it will be good to you".

Sangudo Taxpayers Seek Showdown

SANGUDO. — Sangudo taxpayers are determined to have the increasing tax burden more equitably placed. Since the incorporation of the village land only has been taxed, and this system has been conspicuously in favor of bigger business.

Here is a striking example of this inequality: A progressive, up-to-date general store, the buildings of which cover most of the lot, is paying a tax of $100, while a vacant lot of the same type in the same block is paying a tax of $100.

In an effort to get a measure of relief for the oppressed group, a second meeting of village taxpayers was held Tuesday evening. A carefully prepared report recommending as a remedy the imposition of taxes on land, improvements, business and non-property owners gainfully employed was presented, and after keen discussion, passed by a large majority.

A copy of this report, certified by the chairman as passed by the taxpayers' meeting, has been delivered to the secretary-treasurer of the village. Also delivered to the secretary-treasurer is a petition signed by 40 taxpayers asking for a more equitable tax levy, the same to go into effect this year.

It is hardly conceivable that these requests will be ignored by the village council. A new assessment has been ordered by the minister of municipal affairs, and in the making of this new assessment the expressed wishes of the taxpayers are almost sure to be carried out.

By doing so the village council would go a long way in making a more equitable distribution of the tax burden and at the same time avoid a stiff battle should another attempt be made at a single tax levy.

Sangudo Man Drowns in Rescue

FLIN FLON. — One young man is dead, and another was saved in a rescue attempt, in the first drowning of the season here. Arthur Vlad Liss, 24, second son of Mr. and Mrs. John Liss of Sangudo, Alta., was drowned about nine o'clock Monday evening at Phantom Lake, two miles south of here.

He met death while trying to rescue Albert Pogue, who was unable to swim after falling into the water from a boat. The boys were fishing at the time. Pogue was unconscious when taken from the water by James Oliver Shand, who with Pogue's brother, was on an island nearby.

According to the story told by Albert Pogue, the four boys had caught some fish and Shand and Pogue's brother landed on an island to cook the fish, while Liss and Albert Pogue continued fishing. The boys on the island saw fire in the boat and Shand paddled on a surf boat towards the flames. Pogue's recollection of exactly what happened is vague, as he is suffering from shock.

His pants caught fire from a cigarette flame he said and he put his feet in the water to extinguish the flames. He fell in and Liss attempted to get him, and circled him twice, with the boat. Unable to graps him, Liss jumped in and told Pogue to hold his coat tail. That is all Pogue remembers.

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The Plamondon Page

PLAMONDON NEWS

PLAMONDON. — Mr. Paul Belanger is visiting friends and relatives here.

Mr. and Mrs. John Ashacker and family visited Plamondon over the week-end.

Mr. Albin Gauthier and family are now settled on the farm and Mr. and Mrs. Leo Bourassa are living in their new home in Plamondon.

Mr. Leon Beland of Edmonton has now taken up residence in Plamondon at the R. E. Piquettes. Mr. Beland is now in charge of Bob's Garage in Plamondon.

Mr. R. Ogden was a business visitor to Plamondon.

Mr. D. M. Young also spent an afternoon on business here.

Mrs. Gudmunson spent the week visiting in the Plamondon Bay district.

Our deepest sympathy is extended to Mr. and Mrs. Mischuk and family in the untimely death recently of their brother in an accident.

Our deepest sympathy is also extended to the St. Jean family in the loss of their father, who passed away at Amesbury this week. Funeral services were held in St. Isador's Parish Church, Plamondon, on July 4 and burial took place in the Plamondon cemetery.

Mr. J. St. Jean was one of the oldest residents in the district and one of the original pioneers.

Mr. Edward Plamondon and family have moved into their new home.

Wedding bells will be ringing for Laurette Gauthier and Edgar Belanger on July 19.

Mr. Albert Lemay, son of Mr. Adolph Lemay of Yellowknife, is visiting friends and relatives here and Egg Lake.

Mr. Arthur Lemay is home from Yellowknife for a short visit.

PLAMONDON. — Mr. Keith Gravelle and his bride spent a few days in the district visiting relatives and friends. Keith is now making his home in Edmonton.

Mr. and Mrs. Bert Plamondon spent several days in Edmonton.

Mr. Elmer Plamondon spent several days in Edmonton for a medical check-up.

Bob Piquette made a business trip to Edmonton.

The Oral Dube's have moved to their new home on Plamondon Bay.

Mr. and Mrs. John Prokiew and friend visited their home here on Saturday. John has been appointed the new elevator agent at Redwater, Alta.

Mrs. Ferdinand Plamondon has returned after two weeks spent with her son and family in Edmonton.

Mr. Philip Plamondon Sr., paid a trip to Edmonton this week for dental work.

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GRASSLAND NEWS

GRASSLAND. — Recent rains have greatly improved the outlook for crops in the district, besides extinguishing fires near Cramer's Store north of here.

William Omelchk has purchased a new International tractor.

Mrs. John Zelinski is the proud mother of a baby son.

Francis Garnier is working on Mike Duniec's house.

There will soon be a new cafe in Grassland. Mr. Bracco is remodelling Semenchuk's warehouse and will be opening soon.

Mr. Nehribinchuk has opened his new shoe repair shop.

The department of Lands and Forestry put on a show last week on prevention of forest fires.

Mr. Hurtubise has returned from his trip to B.C. and may be seen driving his car which he purchased while away.

Carol Schendzielorz is in hospital at Lac la Biche with appendicitis.

The Grassland picnic held on June 26 seems to have been quite a success. Crowds thronged the grounds all day and the hall was packed at night for the show and dance. The money is badly needed for completion of the hall. Some excellent baseball was seen in the afternoon, Amber Valley proving the winners in a hard-fought tournament.

Mrs. Ira McKenzie with her son Keith, and nephew Jocelyn Jenkins, left on the bus recently for B.C.

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GRASSLAND Alta.

News has just been received of a fatal accident at Willow Flat. Bill Kudrinesky was instantly killed when run over by a tractor during breaking operations on his farm. No details are known as yet but police are investigating. Mr. Kudrinesky was married but had no family.

SPEDDEN NEWS

SPEDDEN.—John DeCore, Liberal candidate in the Vegreville riding, won out over Antony Hlynka, Social Credit candidate, in the elections held last week.

Ann and Peter Hutscal from Ardmore visited Bill Gushta and his wife at Speeden last week. They came here to spend their vacation.

A railway connection between Lindberg and the Saskatchewan border will be started in the near future. Some 30 miles of railroad will connect northern Alberta with Saskatchewan.

Mr. John Lyseyko from Vilna has purchased a new Cockshutt tractor from John Kurluk, Cockshutt dealer at Vilna.

The students of Errol School took a hike to Bonnie Lake Beach to wind up their school days. Vilna and Pineknoll who were also here for a hike gave Errol their return games of softball and baseball. In a softball game against Pineknoll, Errol won by a 14-6 score. Vilna defeated Errol in the baseball game by an 8-6 score. Linoal Ripka a southpaw, handled the pitching duties for Vilna, while Harry Lyseyko and Basil Tochinuk handled the mound chores for Errol.

A banquet which was to be held June 30 for the Spedden High School students was rained out.

Recent rains in the Spedden area have lessened the fears for drought conditions. Most of the grain is coming up now although it is too late in the season to expect good crops.

Henry Meda, John Deere agent of Spedden, is planning to sell out and move to British Columbia. Before he sells out he plans to have a community sale.

Regular Meeting of W.I.

LAC LA BICHE. — The regular monthly meeting of the W.I. was held at the Anglican manse on Wednesday, June 22, with 18 members and one visitor present.

Correspondence read included an invitation from the Canadian Cancer Society to the ladies to visit their office in Calgary during the Calgary Stampede.

In response to an appeal from the United Nations Appeal for Children the ladies carried a motion that we hold a home-cooking sale on Saturday, July 9, proceeds to go to this cause.

As the Anglican manse is now a permanent home, future meetings will be held in the new school. The motion that we hold the monthly meetings on the third Tuesday of every month was carried. It is hoped that the ladies will find this a more convenient date. The motion that we purchase a two-burner hot-plate for preparing lunch also was carried.

Mrs. Lett thanked the ladies for their help with the T.B. X-Ray clinic.

Another $10.00 was voted to the hospital fund.

The library convener reported that 42 new books had been ordered.

Mrs. Hall gave a very interesting report on the W.I. conference which she attended the latter part of May. Mrs. Brinsmead proposed a vote of thanks.

Lunch committee for July consists of Mrs. Byrkelo, Mrs. Booker and Mrs. Procter.

EGG LAKE NEWS

EGG LAKE.—Mrs. Maurice Lebuef and son Jerome were in the hospital for a few days.

George Duperron had the luck of killing a bear. Seems like the Duperrons are getting the best of them as Leon killed one a few weeks ago.

Mrs. Mary Janvier, Madeline Foley and Yvonne White have gone back to Waterways on a visit.

Miss Alice Girard is on a few days visit here at home. She will return to her work in Edmonton.

Vincent Amiot is back from Edmonton where he has attended college for the past term. Welcome home, Vincent.

Miss Constance Amiot is back home after working a few weeks at her sister's place near Plamondon.

BOYLE NEWS

BOYLE.—The doors of Warren school closed for the summer on June 30.

Miss Eleanor Whiteman, Warren High School graduate, has left for Calgary.

Miss Anne Humeny has started working in Harmata's lunch and confectionery.

There was a dance held in Boyle on July 1. It was sponsored by the Community Club.

The W.I. has opened a library in the old Municipal hall. Books can be obtained on Saturdays.

Mrs. Lucille Allen is spending a few days visiting her aunt, Miss O. T. Forbes. Mrs. Allen resides at Westlock.

The annual Boyle Picnic will be held on July 10. Prizes up to $150 will be given. A show will be held in the evening with a dance following at midnight.

BOYLE. — On June 22, grades X and XI students packed up their books and left their school rooms. Grades IX and XII students started their exams. the following day.

Rain on Wednesday, Thursday and Friday of last week brought welcome relief to the crops.

Miss Joan Cordingley, grade XI student, is leaving for Athabasca where she is planning to work.

Mr. Roski of Bondiss is reported doing well. He underwent a second operation in an Edmonton hospital.

Miss Doris Taje spent a few days in Boyle last week. She is working at Athabasca.

Frank Bouchard and his orchestra played in the Boyle community hall Thursday, June 23. A very small crowd attended the dance.

There will be no picnic in Boyle on July 1.

Miss Janet Barranoik, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Tom Barranoik will be coming home for a visit on July 6. She is taking a nursing course at Boston, Mass.

A farewell party was held for Mr. and Mrs. Teddy Ball on June 21. They were presented with a set of dishes.

A farewell party also was held in the community hall for Mr. and Mrs. Bruce Williams. Gifts were a bronze ash tray, silver cream and sugar set, silver casserole and a silverware set.

Election Returns

LAC LA BICHE — Voting in Lac la Biche took place in the Memorial hall where three voting booths were erected. Returns are as follows:

Dechene	236
Kennedy	172
Honnochko	95
Bedard	12
Nykiforuk	10
Spoiled ballots	3
Total votes	528

CASLAN NEWS

CASLAN. — Misses Laura Gordon, Olga Patrick and Mr. Peter Patrick attended the carnival in Lac la Biche July 1.

Mr. Alex Krawchuk was visiting at the home of his brother, Mr. Wm. Krawchuk.

Mr. Paul Patrick of Boyle visited his mother at the end of last week.

Mr. Fred Dychyshyn has gone to Edmonton for medical attention.

Messrs. Wm. Fedu, Alex Daneluik, Steve Duchnych and Jack Bury were in Boyle on Monday.

Mr. Alex Adyazynski is helping Charlie Eshback build his new home.

Mr. and Mrs. S. Cislo were visiting friends at Ellscott on Sunday.

Mr. M. Lamb and Mr. Walter Meyer were in Boyle on Wednesday.

SARRAIL NEWS

SARRAIL. — A meeting was held at Frains' school re Sarrail's annual church picnic. Members were assigned various jobs as go with the management of any such event.

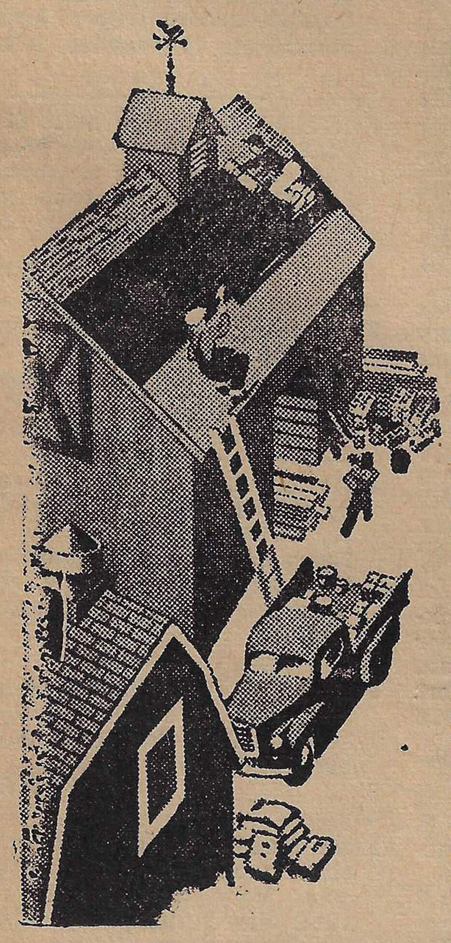
The oil drillers are busy drilling and blasting along the highway en route to Caslan every quarter of a mile in this district, much to the interest of the residents watching the work performed as they pass.

The brush piler owned by H. Ryl is in the district piling brush which he cut last fall for some of the farmers.

Much needed rain fell during the week-end here. Grains show considerable improvement as a result. Complaints are heard from women of cutworms infesting their gardens especially the cabbage. Guess the forms are just thirsty.

Mr. and Mrs. P. Marchak are proud parents of a baby girl born June 6.

Mr. and Mrs. Paul Bahrey, recently married, are nicely settled in their new residence.



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FREEDOM NEWS

FREEDOM. — A social evening was held in the hall Monday evening, June 27. Whist prizes went to Mr. H. Anderson, first prize; ladies' first to Mrs. J. Wright; consolation prize to Eddie Smith. Bingo also was played. After an enjoyable evening lunch was served.

The next meeting of the Willing Workers will be held in the hall, July 4.

Mr. and Mrs. E. Donnelly and Don motored to Wandering River last week. Mr. and Mrs. Donnelly returned but where is Donny?

Mr. and Mrs. F. Meyer are working at Holmes Crossing again, sawing logs.

A dance will be held in the Freedom hall July 15, put on by the Willing Workers. Music sponsored by Carl Johnson's orchestra.

Congratulations to Mr. and Mrs. Aino Carlson on the birth of their baby daughter.

CHINA TOPS CANADA

China, "the country of tea," produces more wheat than Canada.

Obituary

MR. WM. KUDRYNETSKI

SPRUCE VALLEY. — June 30 was a very sad day for the whole Kudrynetski family and all the surrounding neighbors who attended the funeral service held at the Greek Orthodox Church for Mr. Wm. Kudrynetski of Spruce Valley. Father Percenty officiated.

Mr. Kudrynetski was accidentally killed on June 27 when he was ridden over with a tractor operated by Mr. Stanley Kanareck.

On this day it was very sloshy and muddy but people who respected Mr. Kudrynetski came with tractors and teams if they couldn't make it with cars, to see him for the last time.

Very many people attended the funeral.

His relatives and best friends brought him memorial wreaths. The first wreath of live carnations and daisies was from his loving wife Anne. This wreath went along with the coffin.

The other wreaths were from his mother and father, Mr. and Mrs. George Kudrynetski, his wife's mother and father (Patrick family). Baranuik family, Mascuik family, Mr. and Mrs. Joe Kudrynetski, Shevedo family and Stanley Kanariek and Sheramata family. Spruce Valley now mourns the loss of a faithful friend.

Mr. Percy Whitford, a long time resident of Briereville, passed away on June 28 in St. Catherine's hospital. Funeral services were held from the Lakeview mortuary June 30. The Rev. Allin Howes officiated. Interment was made in the Lac la Biche cemetery. Blacklock and McElwain, funeral services.

HYLO NEWS

HYLO. — On Tuesday June 21, the Hylo branch of the United Farmers of Alberta sponsored a dance and pie social. The turnout was commendable and it is understood that proceeds came in fairly well. In a future issue details will be given.

On Thursday, June 23, the Hylo grade 9 pupils, along with others in Alberta, began the series of departmental examinations with fingers crossed. They found them fairly difficult but thorough. On Thursday, June 30, the school term was closed with a jolly picnic by classes of both rooms Best wishes for enjoyable summer holidays were exchanged by pupil and teacher.

Mr. Charlie Keehn will have to expand the seating capacity in his hall if the attendance to the picture shows continue to be as good as last Saturday. Come again, folks! On July 9, we will see "The Five Sullivans." This is said to be a perfect comedy of human life.

Mrs. Mike Owchar has started a local laundry, particularly to service the crew of the Bear Parkford No. 1.

Mr. and Mrs. J. Coli brought Donnie Coli home from the hospital on Saturday in somewhat better condition.

Mr. and Mrs. Eli Rosychuk brought Larry home on Monday in much better condition. However, he was ordered by the doctor not to return to school for the remainder of the term.

The federal elections are over and Hylo proved itself in favor of Social Credit with a vote of 40 over Liberal 32, CCF 19, Ind. S.C. 4, Progressive Conservative 1.

BOTH AT ONCE

Peru has winter and summer at the same time. When it's winter in the mountains it's summer on the coast and vice versa.

CHARRON NEWS

CHARRON. — Mr. Evan St. Jean has returned home after spending some time in an Edmonton hospital and undergoing an operation. We hope he feels much better now.

The Charron picnic was held on Sunday, June 19. It turned out to be a very nice day. The cooperation and help shown among the community young folks was great. Keep up the good work and the community's social activities are sure to improve.

We hear there is to be a dance in the Charron hall on June 8, to the tunes of the good old Charron orchestra so come on everyone and really enjoy yourselves!

Mrs. Velmore St. Jean is home after spending some time in the University hospital in Edmonton. We are sorry to hear she has to go back some time in July.

Mr. George Rokatylo of Amesbury is busy setting up his mill at the farm of Jesse Fischer and expects to be operating soon.

What happened to George W. Franchuk? We wonder if he tired of his job maintaining roads! We now see a government machine keeping our roads fit for travel. The young gentleman operating the machine hails from Fort Kent.

Man Killed By C.N.R. Train

REDWATER — Another tragedy took place here last weekend which resulted in the death of George Wakaruk, Searle grain buyer.

A C.N.R. freight train while backing up on the switch track to pick up a carload of grain that George had just finished loading, caught the agent between the two cars and smashed him to death.

A scream was heard and Mr. Wakaruk died almost instantly. He had to be taken out between the joining freight cars.

A crowd gathered around immediately and witnessed the tragic death of the grain buyer who had only been here for a few months.

MONTREAL, DETROIT TIED

Tied for fourth place among 15 Canadian and U.S. cities surveyed, Montreal and Detroit have each cleared 13 per cent of their streets of overhead wiring by placing wires underground. The leader, Buffalo, has cleared 31 per cent while Toronto and Winnipeg bring up the rear with less than one per cent each.

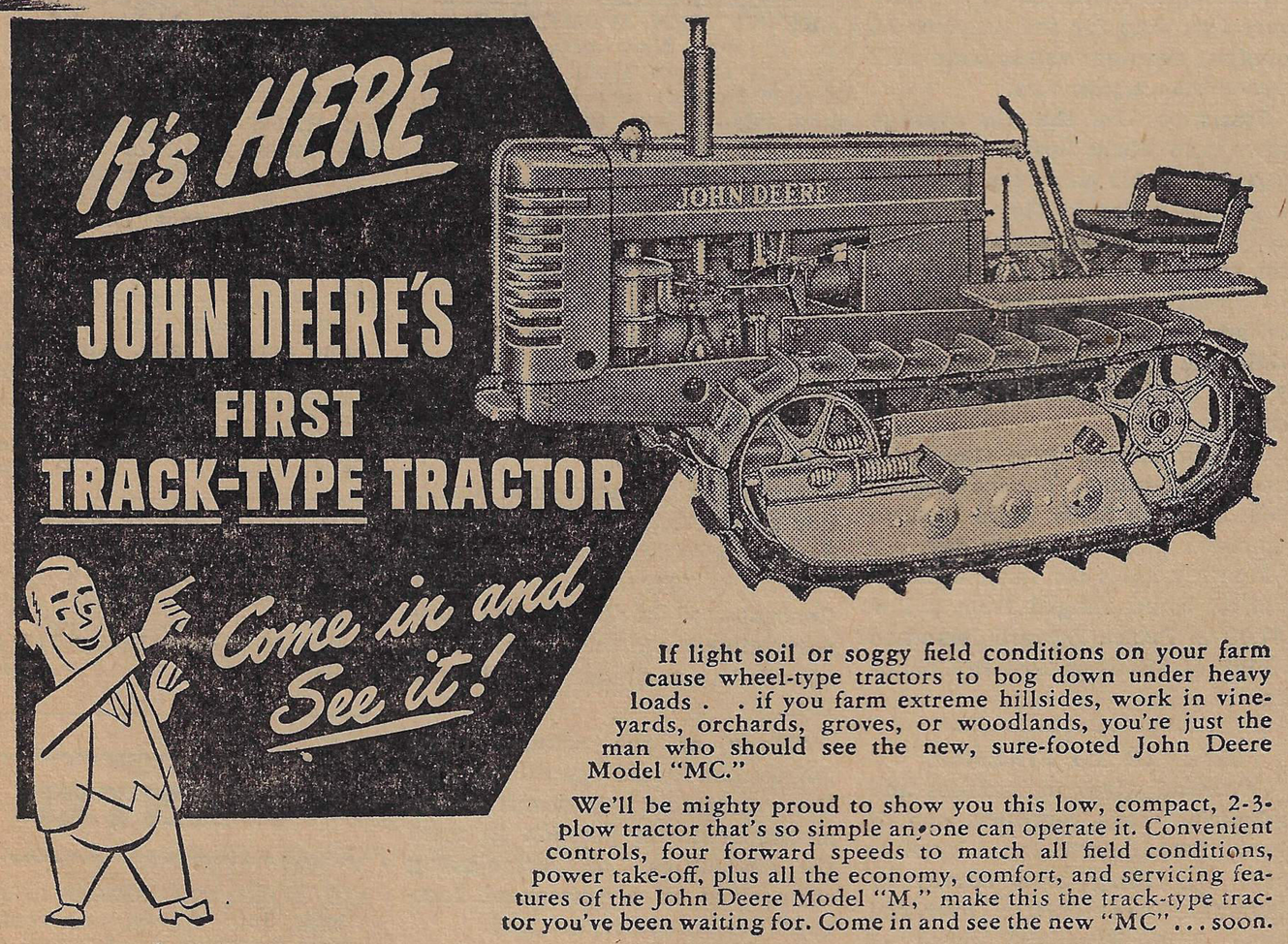
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Bonnyville Man Weds In Ontario

ZURICH, Ont.—In St. Boniface Roman Catholic Church here recently, a wedding of interest in Alberta took place when Miss Blanche Grenier, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. William Grenier of Zurich, became the bride of Mr. Emile Vallee, son of Mr. and Mrs. J. N. Vallee of Bonnyville.

The bride wore a Victorian-stlyed gown of satin, made with a net yoke with chantilly lace trim. A halo crown held her long veil, and she carried pink Butterfly roses.

Mrs. Andrew Rau attended her sister, gowned in pale blue taffeta, and carrying yellow roses. Junior bridesmaids, Lucille, Luella, and Laura Queeneville of Detroit, were gowned similarly in white nylon and carried nosegays of carnations.

Mr. Andrew Rau was best man, and ushers were Mr. George Grenier and Mr. Alphonse Grenier.

Dinner was served later at the Dominion House for about 40 guests. Later a buffet supper took place at the bride's home and a reception was held in the town hall.

The newlyweds left for a wedding trip to Montreal, after which they will make their home in Bonnyville.

Cattle Eat in Fields

BELLIS. — Farmers are putting cattle in fields where crop growth is short and there is little hope of harvest.

Crops are poor, pastures are turning brown and the hay crop is weak. About one-eighth of an inch of rain fell last week.

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Wildcat At Abee

ABEE. — Imperial Oil is running casing at 611 feet in its latest wildcat, Sprucefield No. 1 on 1sd 1-31-60-19W4 about six miles east of Abee. Rig from the recently abandoned Eldorena well is being used.

Imperial Lily No. 1, wildcat about four miles west of the north end of the Redwater oilfield got a good initial puff of gas which died off, in a test of the interval from 2,754 to 2,774 feet. Pipe contained 60 feet of drilling mud.

Opportunity No. 1 being drilled by the Regent Drilling Co. southwest of Stony Plain is in the D1 at 4,769 feet and expects to contact the D3 by the end of this week or early next.

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WHAT IS NEWS?

Occasionally somebody gets the idea that the reason the local paper does not report every scandal that comes to public knowledge is because the publisher is afraid. That is not the reason. The reputable newspaper, especially where everyone is a neighbor to everyone else, takes no delight in giving publicity to those things that have brought disgrace to some family or heartache to some wife or mother.—From the Guelph Mercury.

EQUAL TO ALL WINNIPEG

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MEN MUST VOTE

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British TV-Men See New Markets In Canadian Video

Britain's radio interests are planning to move in on Canada's non-existent television market in the near future, according to reports from London.

British radio and TV manufacturers say they are ready to turn out any type of equipment for Canadians in direct competition with United States firms.

Despite the fact that Canada's television market is only confined to those people in range of United States stations on border points the British manufacturers see a big future for the industry in this country.

Plans are already under way to adopt British designs to the United States type of screen (525-line screen as compared to the British 405-line screen) and the Old Country firms are confident they can compete with United States sets in quality and price.

Britain has long been a pioneer in the TV field. Regular television broadcasts were started in 1936 and although further development was restricted by World War II, British manufacturers are driving to spread video throughout the islands.

Today 12,000 television sets a month are being built in Britain and new stations are rapidly being set up.

The British aren't losing any time getting a foothold in Canadian markets. Already one firm is negotiating with CBC for erection of Canada's first TV station in Toronto and possibly another in Montreal.

FARM WORKERS DRAW HIGHER AVERAGE WAGES

Workers on Canadian farms are generally getting higher wages than a year ago, according to Bureau of Statistics reports released this week.

Although increases for May were less than for the previous 12 months, average wages were still higher than a year ago.

Statistics show that the average farm hand whose board was being provided by his employer was getting $4.04 a day in May this year compared to $3.93 a day in May last year.

Highest rates are being paid in British Columbia ($5.06 per day) while the lowest wage-scale is in Prince Edward Island ($2.90 a day).

New Brunswick was the only province showing a decline in scale from $3.92 to $3.85 while Ontario remained static at $4.11 a day.

Monthly rates for farm workers getting board ranged from a low $57.50 in Prince Edward Island to a high of $93.57 in British Columbia.

HAZARD TO FIREMEN

Overhead wires in business and industrial areas represent one of the biggest hazards faced by firemen. According to a survey of Canadian fire chiefs, overhead wires have been the cause of many serious accidents.

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FOR SALE — 1946 Fleetmaster Sedan, radio, heater, seat covers, sun visor, lifeguard tubes, new engine and new tires. Excellent condition throughout. W. L. Knaut, Phone 51 or 108, Camrose, Alta. C J-9-16.

FOR SALE—Border Collie female pups, 2 months old, $5 each; McDeering 1½ to 2½ h.p. pump engine. E. A. Atkinson, St. Albert Trail P.O. P J9

FOR RENT—¼ Sec. S.E. 10-40-10 W4th, Battle River. Write Mr. Edward Hart, P.O. Box 114, Opportunity, Washington. P J9-16.

FOR SALE—20-22" I.H.C. tractor bush breaker, priced right. Very good condition. See or phone Norman Holt, Alliance, Alta. C J9

FOR SALE — Oliver (Raydex) plow, four 16 inch bottoms, A-1 shape. 8½ ft. M.H. tiller with seed box, two wheels on rubber. Reasonable. Apply R. W. Quillen, Hardisty, Alta. C J9

FOR SALE — 15-30 McCormick-Deering, A-1 shape. Sell for $400. Tractor in Saskatchewan. Apply Mike Hofforth, 13325 Fort Trail, or phone 73811. C J9-16

STRAYED. — Holstein heifer at Mr. E. Hoffman's since June 2. Owner please pay ad and pasture. Mr. Ed Hoffman, Looma. L July 9

DUE TO mass building we are compelled to sell some good school ponies, saddle mares, some bred to Goldstream, two-year-olds, winners at Edmonton Spring Show; saddles, western and military, some English; everything priced to sell. Phone 32067, W. E. Curry, 11211 76 Ave., Edmonton. P J9

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Business Failures Haunt Economy

Canada's small businesses set up during or since World War II are being weeded out as the post-war economy tightens its purse strings.

According to a Bureau of Statistics survey last week, commercial bankruptcies during the first three months of 1949 amounted to 270. Concentrated in Quebec the business failures are the highest to be recorded in a similar period since 1941.

"Many of the smaller firms which commenced operations after the war were not in a sufficiently strong financial position to meet the difficulties of establishing themselves on a permanent footing," the bureau report said.

Liabilities of the defaulting firms were greater than in the same period of any year since 1936 when Canada was recovering from the hungry '30's.

Of the 270 failures in Canada, 204 were in Quebec, 33 in Ontario, 16 in British Columbia, nine in the Maritimes and eight in the Prairies.

Fishing nets are now being made of nylon at Drummondville, Que.

An American beauty expert now offers lessons in "How to Get Whistled At."

- - FOR SALE - -

FOR SALE—One 1927 Chev. in good shape; one 1929 Chev. in good shape; one gas Thor washer, $209. Daysland Motors, Daysland. X J25-J2-9-16

FOR SALE — 1947 ½-ton Chev. (complete). Excellent condition. Low mileage. Phone 1207, Provost. P J25-J2

FOR SALE—100-lb. stoker, used 60 days; 2-battery radios; 1 combination record player. Apply S. Martineau, Hughenden, Alta. Tf.

FOR SALE—Spruce built fishing boat, 28 feet long, with propeller and engine (needs overhauling) for $150 cash or take young horses, cattle or lumber. Apply W. Mills, Normandeau. P J-18-25 July 2-9

FOR SALE — 15-30 McCormick Deering tractor. Recently overhauled, tip top shape. Cash or trade. Box 71, Strome, Alta. C J18-25-J2

FOR SALE—One 1946 Oliver 70 on rubber, with lights and starter, in A1 condition. One John Deere D on steel, in good condition, for brush breaking. Priced to sell. Phone 4, Lougheed. Mr. Pedlar. C J25-J2

FOR SALE — Registered Hereford bull, Iron Creek Dom Lad, born May 12, 1947. Contact E. A. Kueber, Killam. Phone R619. P J22-29

FOR SALE — Meat and grocery store, very reasonable for quick sale. Very good turnover for 1948. New buildings, 3 rooms for living quarters. Selling out on account of health. A. Shupac, Rochfort Bridge, Alta. C J25-J2-9-16

FOR SALE—3-plow, gas, $1,800.00 Cletrac Crawler Tractor, 18-22 h.p., one year old and in very good shape, complete with cab, lights and wide gauge tracks. Getting bigger one. Apply H. K. Bridger, Daysland. X-J24-J2-9-16

FOR SALE — Leghorn and New Hampshire chicks, 6-7 weeks old. Apply A. Babiy, Cherhill. C July 2

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Tennis Club News

LAC LA BICHE.—A meeting of the Tennis Club members was held July 4 at the home of Barbara Wells. Plans for the Novelty dance on the 29th of July in the Memorial hall were discussed. Tickets for this affair will be sold ahead of time. Keep an eye out for the coming posters concerning this big dance.

The tennis court is now completed and everyone is invited to join the club. Admission fee is $5. Fees are payable to John Hannochko and he will give out keys to the court.

Whether you know the game or not, join the club and have fun.

Sports News

LAC LA BICHE. — Of interest to sport fans, Ezzard Charles is the new heavyweight boxing champion of the world for the time being. He won a 15-round decision from Jersey Joe Walcott at Comisky Park in Chicago last week.

B. of T. To Sponsor Sports Day July 7

LAC LA BICHE.—The meeting opened by the minutes being read. These were read and carried, moved by J. Klein and seconded by J. Williams.

The following committees were drawn up for the Sports Day, July 7:

Games committee: Edmund Dobson, John Stefanyk, Stan Kelly.

Booths, refreshments and appointments: Fred Steffin, Roderick Cherkas, Jack Klein.

Gate: Griswold, Mr. Connolly, M. Heron and Oscar Tremblay.

Dance committee: Jack Wolstenholme, John Bouvier.

Baseball: Const. Phillips and Fred Steffin.

Races: H. Gimby and H. Senetza.

Softball: Rodolph Michetti and J. Klein.

P.A. system: Alex Proctor.

Umpire to be elected July 7 on grounds.

Moved by J. Klein and seconded by E. Dobson that the meeting be adjourned.

SPRUCE VALLEY NEWS

SPRUCE VALLEY. — Spruce Valley school team beat the Greenpine West team in a game at Greenpine West picnic on Sunday, June 19. The Spruce Valley team then played Grassland team and won again. The scores were 16-18 and 8-14.

The Greenpine West team won a game against Spruce Valley team at Spruce Valley picnic on Tuesday, June 21. Spruce Valley team beat Deer Run team in a game of softball on the same day. The scores were 2-8 and 5-15.

Miss Anne Matoga is being married to Mr. Francis Zak on June 30 at "Our Mother of Perpetual Help" church at Prosperity. Reception will be held at the bride's home following the church ceremony. Their wedding dance will be held at Grassland hall on July 2.

Last week-end Spruce Valley had its first rain in a month's time. This will be a great help to the grain.

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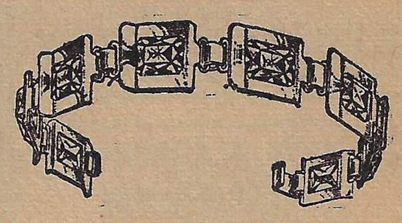
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Pioneer Camp Meets Youths' Need

Alberta Pioneer Camp commenced again this year at Inspiration Point on Pigeon Lake, July 4th.

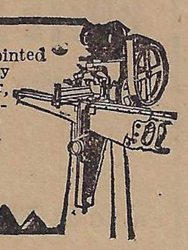
These camps are operated by the Inter-Varsity Christian Fellowship. The camps aim essentially at counteracting the drift among our young people today. Something is needed it is felt to counteract the superficiality of the movies and the funnies. In the out-of-doors with the days filled with healthy sport and positive pursuits some worth-while influence can be exerted upon character. However, as it has been down through the ages, the greatest influence for good in the world has been the Bible and the positive message of christianity contained therein, hence daily Bible study for the campers is an integral part of the program.

Boys' Camp began July 4th and ends July 25th, and will be followed by a 20-day Girls' Camp, and then a 10-day conference for high school students from August 17th to 26th.

The campers are directed by Inter-Varsity staff members and camp councillors will be largely university students and those associated with this work among students.

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STAIN REMOVAL

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A stain removal kit should be in every household. It may be just a cardboard box or basket kept in a convenient place for use. Here are the items it should contain:

1—Absorbent dropper.
2—Medicine dropper.
3—Bowl.
4—Soap flakes.
5—Vinegar or acetic acid.
6—Absorbents — Fuller's earth, corn starch.
7—Bleaches — Commercial bleach (Javelle, Perfex, Sani-White Hydrogen Peroxide (silk and wool), Salts of Lemon—rust stains.
8—Solvent — Commercial Solvent, Carbon Tetrachloride (grease), Turpentine (paint), Glycerine, Alcohol.

To remove stains successfully:

1—Treat a stain while it is fresh.

2—Know your cloth — what it is made of. If you don't know send it to the cleaners rather than ruin it.

3—Use the proper stain remover for your material and stain.

4—Try simple methods first, non-greasy stain sponge with cold water. Greasy stain try C.C14.

5—Remove stain before putting in wash water, as this sometimes sets stains. Remove stains before pressing.

6—Follow directions.

7—Sponge liquid reagents — don't rub.

8—For non-washable fabrics remove stain before garment is cleaned or dipped in solvent.

The Department of Agriculture have good pamphlets dealing with treatment of stains. These can be obtained from your District Home Economist.

THE HOPE CHEST

This is the month of brides and we have had several requests for information on "hope chests." Listed below is what is considered a basic hope chest and you can vary it to suit your own needs.

3 pairs sheets.
2 pairs woolen blankets.
3 pairs pillow cases.
1 comforter or eiderdown.
1 pair pillows.
1 fancy bedspread.
1 wool afghan.
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4 pairs hand towels.
4 pairs guest towels.
4 pairs wash cloths.
2 bath mats.
I linen damask cloth — banquet size.
Napkins to match.
Silence cloth.
2 luncheon sets.
Bureau scarf and doily set.
1 set hot pads.
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BABOONS, FISH CLUTTER UP NEWS PAGES

Prowling newsmen out looking for feature stories usually run into "naturals" in the behavior of animals in a humans' world.

The Spotlight reviews some animal antics that hit the pages of the nation's papers during the week.

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From Pottsville, Pennsylvania, 61-year-old Raymond Klinger said his dog is an avid radio fan.

Klinger said he used to find his radio going full blast whenever he returned home in the evenings. One evening he flipped the radio off, stepped outside and waited at the window.

He saw his dog, named Skippy, jump on the table, turn the switch and then dial with his paw.

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In the African colony of Gambia, one quarter of the grain crop was destroyed last year by a pack of 200 roving dog-faced baboons.

The baboons have flourished, said officials, because leopards have been killed off in large quantities.

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A herd of 45 elk brought to Pembrooke, Ontario, from Alberta's Wainwright Park will be destroyed this week, according to park officials.

Officials say the animals have been attacked by a parasitic disease and the step is necessary to prevent it spreading to wild life in the area.

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Scientists at U.B.C. in Vancouver came up with some interesting observations on the cruising speed of goldfish.

Reduced Railway Fares For Calgary Exhibition, Stampede

Special reduced railway fares to Calgary for the Calgary Exhibition and Stampede have been announced by R. H. Powers, vice-chairman, Canadian Passenger Association. The low fares will be available from Saturday, July 9th to July 15th, and on July 16th for trains arriving Calgary by 5 p.m. Tickets will be good to return leaving destination up to midnight of Monday, July 18th.

The low rate of single fare and one-half for the round trip will be good from all stations in Alberta, Saskatchewan and mainland British Columbia.

Savings Bonds Will Be Sold Again

OTTAWA — Canada Savings Bonds, the successors of Victory Bonds during the war, are expected to be on sale again next October, a government spokesman said recently.

Second issue of the bonds was released last fall, and met with such favorable response, particularly from persons buying them on the payroll savings plan, that they probably will be continued indefinitely.

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DRY WEATHER BRINGS MORE FOREST FIRES

Northern Alberta's second serious outbreak of forest fires continued to rage through bushlands and timber last week as the driest June in 55 years drew to a close.

With rainfall and moisture at only 38 per cent of normal fires easily gained footholds in tinder-dry parklands of the north.

Last week fire-fighters from two provinces combined forces to battle a forest fire raging over 1,000 acres in the Lac la Biche area.

Bulldozers and men from Alberta and Saskatchewan moved in to check the Lac la Biche fire and by this week were able to keep it down except for isolated outbreaks.

Ten new blazes which had flared up last week were kept under control by the province's fire-fighters who had been on the go since early May.

"One day's rain is all that is needed to beat the fire threat now," provincial officials said.

This week, fire outbreaks were confined to Lac la Biche, Lesser Slave Lake, Grande Prairie and Whitecourt. Most serious blaze was at Whitecourt, near Isoegun Lake, but a crew of 14 men kept the fire from spreading.

Anxiously scanning the sky for rain clouds, the province's fire fighters knew it would be touch-and-go to keep the blazes under control until the rains came.

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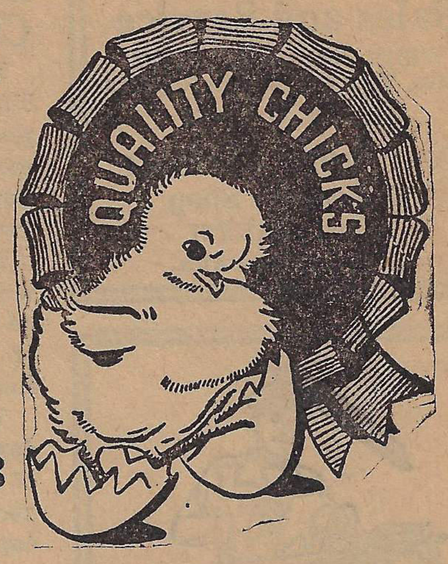
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DUSTSTORMS WORST IN YEARS

Federal Government Fights Prairie Soil Erosion

"Never before," said the professor, "have I seen so much soil in the air in the black soil zone around Edmonton."

The speaker was Dr. J. D. Newton, professor of soils at the University of Alberta.

The doctor was commenting on the windstorms which have occurred in Central Alberta during the present dry spring. The windstorms, which have been worst in Saskatchewan, clog nostrils and pile rich, black topsoil feet deep in ditches.

SOIL BLOWN AWAY

Damage is worst to summerfallowed land in such dry years as this one, as tons of arid soil are picked up by winds and blown off the farmland.

To help combat soil erosion, the federal department of agriculture has begun using aerial surveys to photograph farmland and find out whether it is any good or not.

For the past three years, government-contracted airplanes have been photographing prairie farmland. When the shades of soil in an aerial photo show that a farmer's land is poor for working, the farmer is moved to land proven to be better.

His old, worked-out farm is seeded to buffalo grass, which protects the soil from erosion and gives it a chance to recover its richness.

WILL SAVE MILLIONS

The anti-erosion drive will save Canada millions, not only by giving farmers on "tired" land better crops, but by preserving the worn-out farmland for future use.

It is estimated that when present plan are completed, now-desolate prairie areas that are not being farmed will be producing crops again in 15 years.

AIRBORNE GOURMETS TO HAVE SPECIAL PRE-COOKED MEALS

Air passengers with hefty appetites will have something new in airborne cuisine served by Trans-Canada Air Lines.

Beginning this week, TCA North Stars will be equipped with special quick-heating ovens to provide passengers with pre-cooked frozen meals.

An estimated 1,500 meals a day cooked in a central kitchen at Winnipeg will be prepared, frozen, then re-cooked during flight. Pre-cooked meals have been available to TCA's trans-Atlantic passengers and the service has now been expanded to include all domestic runs.

EDMONTON IS KEY CENTRE IN WEATHER STATION NET

Edmonton, in addition to its role as air transport centre, is also key hub in Canada's chain of northern weather and meteorological stations.

Alberta's capital is the centre for a chain of some 50 weather stations strung out over 2,000 miles of northern wastelands, Dr. T. G. How, Ottawa, superintendent of public wather forecasting, told newsmen.

Eighty men live isolated lives in scattered weather outposts in the northland. Only other weather stations in the vast area are those operated by U.S. and Canadian armed forces.

Northwest Canada Gains Attention Of Agriculture

Northwestern Canada was the subject of agriculturists' speeches in Edmonton and Vancouver during the past fortnight.

At the University of Alberta, C. A. Weir of Calgary, district supervisor for the plant products division of the Dominion agriculture department, told Canadian Seed Growers' Association national convention that:

Possible expansion in Western Canada, especially in Alberta and northern British Columbia, is "almost beyond computation."

"The area suitable for legume crops alternated with coarse grains is vast beyond belief," he said. He added that "Nature has favored these northern areas," and listed climate as a major factor in permitting agricultural development in the north.

MORE SUNLIGHT

Greater amount of sunlight received in northern areas has an important effect on the rapidity of plant growth and helps overcome the cooler climate, he stated.

And in Vancouver, William Dixon, research assistant at the Ottawa Experimental Farm, told delegates to the Agricultural Institute of Canada that:

The first attempts are being made in Canada to find, before settlement takes place, what land will grow and support.

New work is being carried out at a Dominion experimental station near Whitehorse, in the Yukon. By growing on and testing the land, the government agriculturists are determining the agricultural potential of communities that don't even exist, as yet.

FUTURE DIVIDENDS

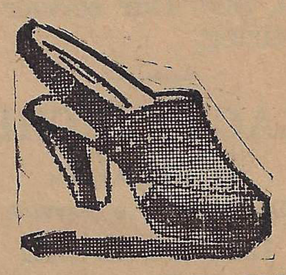
It's expected that the long-term project will pay big dividends in the future.

Coupled with the project is experimental work on new and hardier plants and vegetables, which are being used to improve the health of northern Indians.

But while the federal government planned for expansion in the northwest, a delegate from China to the International Federation of Agricultural Producers said in Lethbridge, "We have studied Canadian agriculture before but are amazed by the fact that so vast an area can be farmed by such a light population."

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Local Garage Changes Hands

Mr. Leo Bourassa and Mr. Albine Gauthier exchange business properties. Alvine and family have moved to the farm and Leo and family have moved to the local garage.

Bob's Garage and Machine Shop will be officially open for business on Monday, July 4. Mr. L. Beland of Edmonton has been appointed floor manager.

The Plamondon parish sports day was very successful in spite of a very chilly day. A large crowd attended and the hall was filled to capacity for the evening show.

Sports Day at Spruce Valley

SPRUCE VALLER. — Sports Day will be held at Spruce Valley on Sunday, July 17, at 12:00 noon. There will be baseball tournaments between Athabasca Monarchs - Amber Valley; Edmonton-Boyle.

The program also features Ukrainian - Canadian artists from Edmonton with music, songs, folk dances and acrobating.

There will be a loud speaker, music, races and refresments on the grounds.

Edmonton concert in the evening followed by a midnight frolic.

Everybody welcome!

Farmers' Picnic Poorly Attended

SPRUCE VALLEY. — Farmers' picnic held here on June 21, had a very poor attendance. It really was a surprise that the farmers forgot about their holiday. Does it mean that they have to be always behind, even when they have a good chance to step ahead!

In the evening Mr. Godel made a speech on agricultural affairs. The The second speaker was Mr. Earl Wright, Farmers' Union director of district No. 3. He asked the farmers to unite while they have a chance because it will be too late to join when grain will be 30c a bushel.

MISSION NEWS

LAC LA BICHE. — Everyone had a good time at the picnic here on June 19. Mrs. E. Cloutier and a few other ladies served lunch. Mrs. J. Tardif had candies, ice cream etc., on hand for the crowd. We would like to extend our thanks to everyone for their help.

Rev. Father Ouellette put on a show in the evening.

Mr. Albert Powder and Eddie Tremblay came down from Edmonton for a short visit Sunday to see relatives and friends.

Miss Marguerite Dragon and Miss Lilie Theroux came to visit relatives and friends.

Rev. Father G. Menard left for Edmonton on June 24.

Mrs. R. Tremblay of Boyle came to visit her mother, Mrs. Louis Bouvier.

Mrs. Ida Lawcque came to stay with her Dad for a while. Her baby is in the hospital receiving medical treatment.

Mr. E. Cloutier and son Paul went to Morinville to visit relatives and friends.

Alfred Tardif and family were visitors here for a few days.

Henry Beaudoin of Venice was here visiting his brother and sister, Alfred Beaudoin and J. Tardif.

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Mr. Moise Theroux left on June 24 for Edmonton to receive medical treatment.

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